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To direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain water distribution facilities to the Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. ALLARD introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS.**

4 In this Act:

5 (1) CONTRACT.—The term “contract” means
6 the contract between the United States and the
7 Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District pro-
8 viding for the construction of the Colorado-Big
9 Thompson Project, dated July 5, 1938 (including
10 any amendments and supplements).

1 (2) DISTRICT.—The term “District” means the
2 Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District.

3 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
4 the Secretary of the Interior.

5 (4) TRANSFERRED SINGLE-PURPOSE WATER
6 DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES.—The term “transferred
7 single-purpose water distribution facilities” means
8 the North Poudre Supply Canal and Diversion
9 Works, also known as the Munroe Gravity Canal,
10 the Charles Hansen (Supply) Canal and Windsor
11 Extension and the Dixon Feeder Canal, all of which
12 are facilities of the Colorado-Big Thompson Project
13 located in Larimer County, Colorado.

14 **SEC. 2. CONVEYANCE OF TRANSFERRED SINGLE-PURPOSE**
15 **WATER DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall, as soon as
17 practicable after the date of enactment of this Act and
18 in accordance with all applicable law, convey all right, title,
19 and interest in and to the transferred single-purpose water
20 distribution facilities to the District.

21 (b) SALE PRICE.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may accept
23 from the District \$2,198,406 as consideration for
24 the conveyance of the transferred single-purpose
25 water distribution facilities under subsection (a).

1 (2) NO EFFECT ON OBLIGATIONS AND
 2 RIGHTS.—Except as expressly provided in this Act,
 3 nothing in this Act affects or modifies the obliga-
 4 tions and rights of the District under the contract.

5 (3) PAYMENTS.—Except as provided in sub-
 6 section (c), the District shall continue to make such
 7 payments as are required under the contract.

8 (c) CREDIT TOWARD PROJECT REPAYMENT.—On
 9 payment by the District of the amount authorized to be
 10 accepted under subsection (b)(1), the amount paid shall
 11 be credited toward repayment of capital costs of the Colo-
 12 rado-Big Thompson Project in an amount equal to the as-
 13 sociated undiscounted obligation for repayment of the cap-
 14 ital costs.

15 **SEC. 3. LIABILITY.**

16 Except as otherwise provided by law, effective on the
 17 date of conveyance of the transferred single-purpose water
 18 distribution facilities under this Act, the United States
 19 shall not be liable for damages of any kind arising out
 20 of any act, omission, or occurrence based on any prior
 21 ownership or operation by the United States of the con-
 22 veyed property.

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